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TAKING STEPS TO CURB ARROGANCE OF GREAT BRITAIN

Revenue Bill Empowers President to Use Retaliatory Measures

AMENDMENT PROVIDES DENIAL OF USE OF MAILED

Also Cuts Off Wireless, Telegraph and Cables—Use of Force Provided For

By J. P. Yoder.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Washington, Sept. 5.—With allied diplomats in Washington protesting against retaliatory legislation already enacted by congress to offset the British blacklist, the senate today struck two more blows. Amendments adopted to the revenue bill are likely, some officials believe, to result in official objections taking the place of the private, though positive protests against retaliation which certain diplomats here have voiced.

The first act today was passage of Senator Thomas' amendment to the revenue bill empowering the president to retaliate against any belligerent commerce ship that discriminates against American shippers and exporters.

The second was adoption of Senator Phelan's amendment to the same measure refusing rights of the United States mails or the facilities of any interstate express company or of any wireless, telegraph or cable company to the citizens of belligerent countries which discriminate against Americans.

Both amendments explicitly empower the president to take these steps "whenever during existence of a war in which the United States is not engaged, the president shall be satisfied there is reasonable ground to believe" belligerent governments have denied all lawful rights to all American citizens.

Violations of both proposed laws are punishable by fines of \$10,000 or two years' imprisonment or both. Both amendments are retaliatory measures against Great Britain's blacklist and seizure and detention of mails.

Thomas' amendment was drawn with the approval of the state department and the president is empowered by its terms to use "any part of the land and naval forces he deems necessary" to uphold it.

Wheat Jumps Again In Chicago Market

Chicago, Sept. 5.—Bull raids shot September wheat up five cents over Saturday's close in the Chicago grain market today. Light offerings and strong cables accentuated the upward movement. September at \$1.50 was up 2 1/2 cents above the opening. December gained 1 3/4 at \$1.51 3/4 while May advanced 1 1/2 to \$1.52 1/2.

Corn opened firmer, assisted by the advance in wheat. Further gains were made later on good buying movement and reports of a corn scarcity. September at 87 was quarter above the opening. December gained half at 74 1/4 and May was up 3/8 at 77 3/8.

Oats was strong at the opening but declined later on a general rush to buy at the advanced prices. September was down quarter at 46 5/8; December unchanged at 49 and May unchanged at 52.

GETS LAND OFFICE JOB

Washington, Sept. 5.—The president today nominated Charles S. Dahn, La Grande, Ore., to be registrar of the land office at that place.

Abe Martin



It's the feller who don't tell how he's going to vote who settles elections. When some fellers take a vacation ever' body gets a rest.

SAYS GOVERNMENT WILL IN TIME OWN PUBLIC UTILITIES

A. B. Garretson, Leader of Brotherhoods' Fight, Sees This As Final Outcome

EDICTS BIG CHANGE WITHIN NEXT TEN YEARS

First of Series of Events Leading to Government Ownership

By Carl D. Groat.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
Washington, Sept. 5.—Government ownership of railroads and other public utilities is coming, in the opinion of A. B. Garretson, leader of the big four railroad brotherhoods fight for an eight hour day. Avoidance of a national rail strike, through strong governmental interference, he believes, is only one of a series of steps toward such an end.

"Ten years hence," he predicted, "you will see a mighty stride toward government ownership and operation of all railroads as well as other public and quasi-public utilities. I believe in such a program after mature reflection. I take this view—that there are deadly dangers in government ownership but with the government engaged in regulation—as it must—I feel that we must choose the least dangerous. That is government operation and ownership. The sentiment in that direction has grown steadily as a bricklayer would say; settlement of the strike is just another course in the structure."

Garretson explained that some roads may face a balance on the wrong side of their books as a result of government regulation.

"Then," he continued, "such lines must look to the government for reimbursement. But the lines making a profit should not be allowed to escape while their weaker associates are put under government control and assistance. Hence as I see it, government operation and control of all railroads must result."

Commenting on the Garretson interview, one of the foremost experts of the country said today:

"His statement that this is one course in the structure is mild. It appears to me that this law has about built the whole structure for government ownership. It certainly has brought such a situation ten years nearer to realization."

WEATHER WAS BAD BUT SCORES FAIR

First Government Ammunition Was Used In Target Practice Yesterday

The shooters of the Salem Rifle club used their first government ammunition Sunday under rather unfavorable weather conditions. It was not only misty and rainy, but there was a fish-tail wind from 1 until 3 o'clock and the ground was pretty wet. However, the boys made some very favorable scores considering, and these conditions were noted in the report to the secretary of war.

Shooting at 200 yards, standing, out of a possible 50, Dr. Clay scored 34, tying with Don Wiggins at 34; Kenneth Brown came next with a score of 31, Chester Frazer scored 25, Dr. Morehouse 25 and William Gahlsdorf 23 out of the possible 50.

Shooting at 300 yards, prone, William Gahlsdorf and Dr. Morehouse made the best scores with 35 out of the possible 50; Dr. Clay and Kenneth Brown tied at 31, while Don Wiggins came in for next to the top with a score of 24, Chester Frazer hit the target to the score of 23, George C. L. Snyder with 23 and Gus Taw with a score of 26.

Lying on the ground, shooting at 500 yards, Don Wiggins had the best eye, as his score was 25 out of the possible 50, with Dr. Morehouse coming in second on a score of 23. F. A. Robertson scored 17, William Gahlsdorf 16 and Dr. Clay 12, and Kenneth Brown 12.

Shooting at 600 yards prone, F. A. Robertson scored 26, Dr. Clay 25, Don Wiggins 22, and Dr. Morehouse and Kenneth Brown with a score of 15.

The rapid fire target shooting at 200 yards is yet to be taken.

FIRE IN PENITENTIARY

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 5.—What may prove to be a very serious fire started at the penitentiary in the Central Broom company plant shortly before 4 p. m.

ROUMANIA, WITH 1,000,000 FRESH TROOPS, MAY REALIZE DREAM OF GREATER EMPIRE



One million fresh troops have been the force with which Roumania has held her neutrality sacred until she was ready to choose her own course in the war. Ambition for a greater empire has been the object of her policies for years, and the heads of her government have long looked with envious eyes on Temesvar, Transylvania, Bukovina and Bessarabia, the three former Austro-Hungarian territory and the latter a Russian province. When King Ferdinand saw the Balkan situation growing dangerous he convened a conference of representatives of all the political parties, former premiers, former presidents of the legislative chambers, ministers and government representatives with the idea of ascertaining the view of all sections of public opinion on the situation. Directly after this he declared war on Austria. The black portions of map above show the object of Roumania's ambition. King Ferdinand and his minister of war, Take Jonescu, are also shown.

THINK MURDER WAS BLACKMAILER'S WORK

Woman in the Case Permitted to Leave—Body Will Be Sent Home

New York, Sept. 5.—Satisfied that Dwight D. Dilworth, well to do lawyer of Montclair, N. J., was killed in lovers' lane" in Van Cortland Park here Sunday night by would-be blackmailers, the police today are searching for two men who shot him to death.

Miss Mary McNiff, who was suddenly appeared from the brush and ordered him to throw up his hands, was permitted to go to Long Beach today. Miss McNiff had been eliminated insofar as learning through her who was responsible for the murder is concerned. The plan to have her re-enact the incident connected with the killing of her companion on the spot where Dilworth was shot, was abandoned today. Miss McNiff told the police she would return to New York to lend such aid as she could at any time but the police have little hope of her meager description of the highwaymen aiding them to any great extent.

The police believe their conclusion that Dilworth was killed by blackmailers on the description of the holdup men and of the shooting given by Miss McNiff and numerous complaints that have come in revealing that the park has apparently been infested with blackmailers of the type that attacked Dilworth.

Upon receipt of telegraphic instructions from Mrs. Dilworth the body of Dilworth was today turned over to the Masons of Montclair, N. J. Preparations were made there for a Masonic funeral and the body will then be sent to Mrs. Dilworth in Kansas.

To Aid the Police

New York, Sept. 5.—Miss Mary McNiff will re-enact today her part in the tragedy of Sunday night when Dwight Dilworth, her companion was shot and killed supposedly by highwaymen on "lovers' lane" in Van Cortland Park. The audience will consist of police officers and detectives anxious to learn the full details of the crime.

Baffled by the fact that Dilworth was not robbed, the police today believe the murder to have been committed by park blackmailers who have been constantly preying upon young couples "spooning" in the park.

From Kansas City came a message which read: "As he is gone I will not come home, but will wait for him here." The message was from Dilworth's wife and directed that the body be shipped to Fort Scott, Kan., for burial.

ALL SALEM WAS THERE TO SEE "WHEN JOHNNY CAME MARCHING HOME"

"Hello, George; Hello Bill—there he is—my dear old boy," and even more tender greetings were heard at the Southern Pacific depot this morning as members of Company M jumped from the train looking around eagerly for friends and relatives.

It was a bronzed and hardened lot of healthy looking soldiers that greeted their friends and relatives when the long delayed S. P. special pulled into the depot at 9:30 this morning. There was none of the pallor of the office man nor of the student on the faces of that bunch of soldier boys. Instead, it was about the healthiest looking lot of young men that ever got together in Salem. Those who were thin and careworn are now full faced and full of vigor.

In fact, every member of the company, with but one exception, has increased in weight from five to 15 pounds and the general appearance of the boys was highly satisfactory to relatives as well as civilians.

After the first greetings, coming down the station platform as conquering heroes, attention was given to the 150 packages of good things to eat that were stacked high on a truck in the baggage room and it is needless to say that the boys will be eating home cooking and delicacies for several days. Many of the packages were addressed to the corporal and his squad.

The Salem Patriotic league was on duty taking care of the packages and arranging them. Also the Cherrians under command of Captain Dick and the Salem Rifle club in charge of Captain Rosenberg, who with Chief Welch and his deputies, aided in keeping the crowd back while the near relatives had first chance at the returning ones.

In referring to the general condition of the boys Captain Gehlar said: "We are bringing the boys back absolutely in perfect health, many of them having gained in weight from 10 to 15 pounds. There never was a lot of healthier soldiers or men in better spirits. We are grateful to the good men and women of Salem for their various remembrances and the interest they have taken in our welfare. There is no telling how long we will be at Camp Withycombe. We will entrain and return to the regular routine of the soldier's life."

Lieutenant Gingrich and Lieutenant Allen were among those who looked as if a soldier's life agreed with them. Lieutenant Spaulding was not with the company as he will travel with the quartermaster's department.

After remaining at the depot about 45 minutes, the special left for Clackamas, but as one mother said, "It's all right now as our dear boys are breathing the good old Oregon air and we won't feel so bad if they do have to stay a while at Clackamas."

Third Regiment Is at Camp Withycombe

Camp Withycombe, Or., Sept. 5.—Bronzed and hard as regulars, two battalions of the Oregon National Guard arrived here today from points near the Mexican border. First battalion was the first to detrain. The Second battalion came in several hours later. Officers said the Third battalion would be due tonight.

Headquarters company and Colonel Clelland McLoughlin with his staff accompanied the troops. Tents were pitched at the camp, sentries posted and the routine of army life rapidly resumed after the trip. Many were detailed to unload equipment. Visitors, it was stated, will not be welcome until the infantrymen have a chance to get "settled."

All along the homeward route, men said, they were given hearty receptions.

The same steam engine has been pumping water out of an English coal mine more than a century.

R. Norris Williams Is National Tennis Champion

By H. C. Hamilton.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Forest Hills, L. I., Sept. 5.—R. Norris Williams II of Philadelphia this afternoon wrested the national tennis championship crown from William M. Johnston of California in five hard fought sets, 6-6, 6-4, 0-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In winning the title the new champion staged one of the most remarkable returns to form seen in the east in years.

After losing two of the first three sets and apparently off his game, the Philadelphia came through with a rush and swept the tiring champion off his feet with terrific drives which went true to the mark.

In the early sets the Californian played the best game of his career, while Williams was erratic. The champion tired toward the end, however, and the Philadelphia's passing shots had him running over the court with the result that he lacked the punch in the closing games to win.

ALLIES GAINED IN FURIOUS FIGHTING ON SOMME FRONT

Whole German System of Defenses at Falfemont Is Capture

SEVEN MILES OF GERMAN SECOND LINE OCCUPIED

Allies Have Taken 29 Villages and 41,000 Prisoners Since Big Drive Began

By Wilbur S. Forrest.
(United Press staff correspondent.)
London, Sept. 5.—The Germans are being pushed steadily eastward in a renewal of the allies' great offensive on the Somme, but in the Balkans the Rumanian armies have been compelled to give ground.

In a driving rain, the British advanced 1,500 yards east of Guillemont last night, capturing the whole system of intricate German defenses at Falfemont and obtaining a footing in Leusewood. General Haig reported this afternoon. Bad weather impeded the development of the French offensive south of the Somme but the French this afternoon reported the repulse of all German counter attacks. The German war office admitted the loss of the village of Chilly to the French in yesterday's fighting. Russian detachments have been in action for the first time in the defense of the southeastern frontier of Rumania. The Germans and Bulgarian forces, however, continue to sweep on into Rumania and have captured three towns in the Dubruja region, including Dobric.

The flat plain of the Dubruja region offering no natural obstacles to an enemy advance has greatly facilitated the German-Bulgarian invasion. Unofficial dispatches from Berlin today declared that not only are the German and Bulgarian armies pressing their invasion but that the Austrians have halted both wings of the Rumanian army that invaded Transylvania.

The Russians engaged in clearing Austro-Germans from the wooded heights north of the Hungarian frontier, have captured more enemy positions in the Carpathians, it was officially announced at Petrograd today, besides taking 4,514 more prisoners in Volhynia and Galicia.

Great Battle on Somme Front

Paris, Sept. 5.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has arrived on the western front for the first time since the beginning of the war and is urging his commanders to a more stubborn defense along the Somme, the Echo De Paris stated today.

The "old man of Mauzurian Lakes" witnessed the retreat of the German armies under smashing British and French blows in Sunday and Monday's fighting. It was the first great battle in which the Teutons have been engaged since Hindenburg was appointed chief of the German general staff.

The whole Somme battle front has suddenly burst into activity with furious infantry fighting and some of the most terrific shell blastings since the Anglo-French offensive began. The Germans are fighting desperately but in the past 48 hours have been pushed steadily eastward by impetuous French attacks.

General Foch struck south of the Somme yesterday while the main body of Teuton reserves was preparing to resist another great blow north of the river. The French successes in this new drive equalled the gains made north of the river on the preceding day. No retreat has been seen, and by a storming attack, and extending their gains far to the south, the French occupied the village of Chilly. The outskirts of three other villages were seized and about three thousand prisoners were taken.

While this great battle was going on south of the Somme the Germans continued their preparations for a counter attack against positions captured by the French and British in Sunday's fighting north of the river. The heaviest German blows are expected to fall in the region of Chaulnes where the French gains imperiled German positions on a very wide front.

France's new 40 centimeter guns played an important role in the new victories over the Germans, according to dispatches from the front today.

The existence of these guns was kept secret for many weeks. It is believed it will work more wonders in the closing days of the war than did the German 42 centimeters that battered in the Belgian forts.

Since the beginning of the allied offensive on July 1 the French and English have captured 29 villages which the Germans had organized to the highest defensive degree. They have taken about 41,000 prisoners, 150 cannon and several hundred machine guns.

British Advance Lines.
London, Sept. 5.—The British pushed

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CAR SHORTAGE IS FORGING MILLS TO QUIT OPERATING

Shortage On Southern Pacific North of Ashland Now 1,200 Cars

SITUATION GROWING MORE SERIOUS DAILY

Appeals Pouring In To Public Service Commission In Hope of Relief

The car shortage on the Southern Pacific lines north of Ashland amounts this morning to 1,200.

That conditions resulting from the inability of this company to meet orders for cars are becoming more serious each succeeding 24 hours is evidenced by telegrams coming to the public service commission.

The following telegram was received this morning from the Ewanna Box company of Klamath Falls:

"Have received but four cars since Thursday noon and no promise of any today. We are needing five to seven cars every day. Unless we can get cars quick and continuously our business will be forced into the hands of a receiver. During the past 60 days have been unable to secure cars of any consequence without your assistance, hence are telegraphing you often."

A telegram from the Summit Mill company of Summit, says: "Mill closed. No cars. Must have cars before we can turn a wheel."

These are but two of several mills and manufacturing establishments which have notified the commission that a close-down, with all the inconveniences and suffering resultant therefrom, is inevitable if cars are not forthcoming soon.

The commission is still continuing its policy of urging the railroad company to take immediate action looking to the relief of the situation. It has not as yet taken formal action against the railroad company. Whether or not it will be required to do so the developments of the next few days will determine, although no official announcement to this effect has been issued.

ALLEGED SWINDLER JAILED IN OAKLAND

Fred G. Mathison Accused of Selling Fictitious Lands to Oregonians

Oakland, Cal., Sept. 5.—Alleged to have traded titles to land in Texas he did not own for lands in the Willamette valley, Oregon, Fred G. Mathison is in jail here today awaiting the arrival of an officer to take him to Lane county officials who say Mathison swindled farmers out of \$40,000 by his operations. There is a belief that Mathison could not have carried the scheme out alone if he operated as alleged, and a search is being made for others.

The lands on which Mathison is alleged to have traded worthless abstracts for Oregon lands, are said to be owned by Mrs. M. H. King, a wealthy resident of Corpus Christi, Texas. Letters written by Mathison in which he spoke of "unloading the Oregon stuff" and doing very well, have been seized.

Says Picture Is That of Nebraska Robber

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 5.—Harry Daywalt, taxi driver, today identified a photograph of Edward Von Walden, under arrest, in San Francisco for a daring daylight bank robbery, as the man who forced him on August 5 to help him hold up the bank at Florence, Neb., a suburb. The Florence robbers escaped with nearly \$1000.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Wednesday partly cloudy; northwesterly winds.